

Senate Study Bill 1223 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF
REVENUE BILL)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the use of social security numbers for
2 purposes of administration of the tax and related laws by
3 the department of revenue and collection of property taxes
4 by counties.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 421.17A, subsection 5, paragraph c,
2 subparagraph (1), Code 2015, is amended to read as follows:

3 (1) The name ~~and social security number~~ of the obligor.

4 Sec. 2. Section 421.17A, subsection 6, paragraph b,
5 subparagraph (1), Code 2015, is amended to read as follows:

6 (1) The name ~~and social security number~~ of the obligor.

7 Sec. 3. Section 421.17A, subsection 7, paragraph b, Code
8 2015, is amended to read as follows:

9 b. No sooner than fifteen days, and no later than twenty
10 days from the date the financial institution receives the
11 notice under subsection 5, paragraph "b", unless notified by the
12 facility of a challenge by the obligor or an account holder of
13 interest, forward the moneys encumbered to the facility with
14 the obligor's name ~~and social security number~~, the facility's
15 account number for the obligor, and any other information
16 required in the notice.

17 Sec. 4. Section 421.17B, subsection 3, paragraph b,
18 subparagraph (1), Code 2015, is amended to read as follows:

19 (1) The name ~~and social security number~~ of the obligor.

20 Sec. 5. Section 421.17B, subsection 6, paragraph c,
21 subparagraph (1), Code 2015, is amended to read as follows:

22 (1) The name ~~and social security number~~ of the obligor.

23 Sec. 6. Section 421.17B, subsection 7, paragraph b, Code
24 2015, is amended to read as follows:

25 b. No sooner than ten days, and no later than twenty
26 days from the date the employer receives the notice of wage
27 assignment, unless notified by the facility of a challenge of
28 the wage assignment by the obligor, the employer shall begin
29 forwarding the obligor's compensation, to the extent required
30 in the notice, to the facility with the obligor's name ~~and~~
31 ~~social security number~~, the facility's account number for the
32 obligor, and any other information required in the notice.

33 Sec. 7. Section 422.16, subsection 7, paragraph a,
34 subparagraph (2), Code 2015, is amended to read as follows:

35 (2) The name of the employee, nonresident, or other

1 person and ~~that person's federal social security account~~
2 ~~number, together with~~ the last known address of such employee,
3 nonresident, or other person to whom wages have been paid
4 during such period.

5 Sec. 8. Section 427.9, Code 2015, is amended to read as
6 follows:

7 **427.9 Suspension of taxes, assessments, and rates or charges,**
8 **including interest, fees, and costs.**

9 If a person is a recipient of federal supplementary security
10 income or state supplementary assistance, as defined in
11 section 249.1, or is a resident of a health care facility,
12 as defined by section 135C.1, which is receiving payment
13 from the department of human services for the person's care,
14 the person shall be deemed to be unable to contribute to the
15 public revenue. The director of human services shall notify
16 a person receiving such assistance of the tax suspension
17 provision and shall provide the person with evidence to
18 present to the appropriate county board of supervisors which
19 shows the person's eligibility for tax suspension on parcels
20 owned, possessed, or upon which the person is paying taxes
21 as a purchaser under contract. The board of supervisors so
22 notified, without the filing of a petition and statement as
23 specified in section 427.8, shall order the county treasurer to
24 suspend the collection of all the taxes, special assessments,
25 and rates or charges, including interest, fees, and costs,
26 assessed against the parcels and remaining unpaid by the person
27 or contractually payable by the person, for such time as the
28 person remains the owner or contractually prospective owner
29 of the parcels, and during the period the person receives
30 assistance as described in this section. The county board of
31 supervisors shall annually send to the department of human
32 services the names ~~and social security numbers~~ of persons
33 receiving a tax suspension pursuant to this section. The
34 department shall verify the continued eligibility for tax
35 suspension of each name on the list and shall return the list

1 to the board of supervisors. The director of human services
2 shall advise the person that the person may apply for an
3 additional property tax credit pursuant to sections 425.16 to
4 425.39 which shall be credited against the amount of the taxes
5 suspended.

6 EXPLANATION

7 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
8 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

9 This bill relates to the use of social security numbers
10 for purposes of administration of the tax and related laws by
11 the department of revenue and collection of property taxes by
12 counties.

13 The bill removes the requirement that the department of
14 revenue, through its centralized debt collection facility,
15 include the social security number of an obligor (person
16 indebted to the state) on a notice of administrative levy or
17 notice of administrative wage assignment sent to a financial
18 institution, employer, or obligor and removes the requirement
19 that the financial institution or employer forward the
20 obligor's social security number to the department when
21 complying with the administrative levy or administrative wage
22 assignment.

23 The bill removes the requirement that a withholding agent
24 include a person's social security number on the annual wage
25 and withholding statement furnished to that person.

26 The bill removes the requirement that a county board of
27 supervisors send to the department of human services the
28 social security number of persons who received property tax
29 suspensions under Code section 427.9. A county board of
30 supervisors will now only be required to send the names of
31 those persons.